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MEDIA ADVISORY: BEP Task Force to Have First Meeting to Discuss School Funding

WHAT: The task force charged with studying Tennessee's state education funding formula

will meet for the first time next week at the capitol. Gov. Haslam appointed this task force to take a fresh look at the Basic Education Program, or BEP, which underwent its last significant revision seven years ago. The purpose of this task force is to review

the distribution of available resources in a responsible manner.

WHEN: Monday, March. 24, 1-3 p.m., CDT

WHO: Education Commissioner Kevin Huffman

Rep. Harry Brooks (R-Knoxville), chairman, House Education Committee

David Connor, executive director, Tennessee County Services Association

Sen. Dolores Gresham (R-Somerville), chairman, Senate Education Committee

Chris Henson, chief financial officer, Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools

Kevin Krushenski, research analyst, Tennessee Municipal League

Larry Martin, commissioner, Tennessee Department of Finance & Administration

Gary Nixon, executive director, State Board of Education

Larry Ridings, Tennessee School Systems for Equity

Lynnisse Roehrich-Patrick, executive director, Tennessee Advisory Commission on

Intergovernmental Relations

Justin Wilson, Comptroller of the Treasury

Mark Cate, chief of staff, Governor's Office (ex officio member)

INFO: This meeting is open to media and the public.

WHERE: Executive Conference Room, State Capitol